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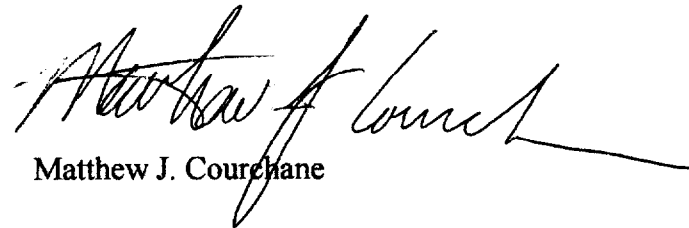
Dear Dr. Henney:

I am writing this letter to urge you to follow the European Union and leading public health agencies and ban the use of antibiotics to fatten livestock, when those drugs are also used to treat humans. I realize that you may face opposition from the livestock industry concerning this measure, but there are a lot more consumers than producers.

This action will help address the problem of antibiotic resistant bacteria, and restore some faith in the health of the meat products produced in this country.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



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